

DESCRIPTIVE EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR POTENTIAL PROJECTS

CRITERIA	RATING	SUB-CRITERIA	FURTHER DESCRIPTION
Nutrient removal or reduction	H, M, L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nitrogen removal Phosphorus removal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the estimated nitrogen and phosphorus reduction level expected? What are the pounds removed per dollar?
Water Storage	H, M, L		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the acre-feet of storage expected? What are the acre-feet stored per dollar?
Operational distribution and timing	H, M, L		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the project allow for managed storage and release of waters at needed time?
Linkages	H, M, L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connects to and enhances other projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the project connect to some other project(s) in terms of cost efficiencies, joint gains, increased total benefit?
Implementability	H, M, L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control of land Level of Design Level of review In an existing plan Identified sources and level of funding Matching or leveraged funds Barriers or challenges Collaboration required Barriers or challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the land for a project already purchased and/or under the control of a participating entity? Is the project designed versus only conceptual? Has the project already been vetted by various agencies? Has the project already been listed in an existing plan? Have specific sources of funding been identified (though not secured) for this project? Can funding match or leverage other funding sources? Are the identified sources of funding sufficient to cover the entire project cost? Does the project require extensive collaboration across entities?
Regional Impact	H, M, L		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the project have a regional versus only local impact?
Multiple Benefits	H, M, L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreation Habitat Flood control Water reuse Water recharge Open space Targeted at impaired waters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the project provide multiple benefits in addition to water quality/quantity? If so, what and how much?

Sustainability	H, M, L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • O&M costs • Permanence or engineered life • Adaptability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are there on-going operations and maintenance costs and are they clearly fundable or funded? • Is the action permanent or long-term or is it for a specified, narrower period of time? • Can the project adapt or be adapted to changing circumstances?
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